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## OPC AWARDS EVENT TIX WILL INCLUDE PRE-DINNER DRINKS

By ROY J. BATTERSBY

There will be a sliding scale for tickets for the 37th Annual Dinner of the Overseas Press Club of America, to be held at the Hotel Biltmore, April 15, William Clabby, chairman of the dinner committee revealed after a meeting of his committee at the club. Under the new plan the early birds who make their reservations with check attached will save themselves some money.

The tickets will be \$32.50 for members and one guest and \$40.00 for other guests until Feb. 15. After that the tickets will be \$40.00 for members and one guest and \$50.00 for additional guests. Until April 1 anyone wishing a special table (the first five tiers) may obtain a full table at \$60.00 a ticket.

For the first time the price of the dinner ticket entitles the holder to an unlimited number of drinks at open

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Jerald F. terHorst, former Press Secretary to President Ford, will be the feature speaker at the OPC "Talking Shop With ..." luncheon on Monday, November 18 at 12 noon. Mr. terHorst's appearance will coincide with the publication of his new book, "Gerald Ford and the Future of the Presidency".

## CALENDAR

**Monday, November 18th, 12 Noon** — "Talking Shop With ..." Luncheon: Jerald F. terHorst, former Press Secretary to President Ford. National columnist for the Detroit News. Luncheon: \$6.50, including tax and gratuities. Cash bar. Reservations.

**Monday, November 18, —** Opening of an art exhibition by Lynn Johnson — "Tunisian Sketch Book," a collection of drawings and monotypes. Through December 6.

**Friday, November 22, 12 Noon** — Deadline: OPC Bulletin of December 1.

**Friday, November 22, 5:30 p.m.** — Attila Zoller, renowned European jazz guitarist and quartette, Cash bar. (See page 2).

**Thursday, November 28, —** OPC office, bar and dining room will be closed.

**Wednesday, December 4, 12 Noon** — "Headliner Luncheon" to feature Charles Abrams, chairman, China Trade Corporation. Luncheon: \$6.50 including tax and gratuities. (Page 1).

**Tuesday, December 17, 12 Noon** — At press time, it was announced by Russ Tornabene, VP and General Manager, NBC radio news and OPC President Jack Raymond that the second annual World News Roundup will be held in the Grand Ballroom of the Hotel Biltmore. Details and price in the next issue of *The Bulletin*.

## NEW JAZZ CONCEPTS HEARD AT CONCERT

In the next to last concert of the Overseas Jazz Club for 1974, chairman Wilma Dobie brought in an odd quintet consisting of one drummer, one pianist, one bassist and two trumpet players.

The group, headed by Charles McGee, a slim young man who won the Louis Armstrong Award in 1971, played sets of atonal compositions of their own, alternating them with more conventional standards.

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## TRADE WITH CHINA MAINLAND FILLED WITH POSSIBILITIES

By CHARLES J. SCHREIBER

A limited number of Americans have been able to visit the People's Republic of China so Charles Abrams, chairman of China Trade Corporation, has engaged in a program of bringing China to the United States.

In a luncheon speech before the Overseas Press Club on Wednesday, December 4 at 12 noon, Abrams will discuss what he saw, heard and concluded during his October-November visit to China. Before attending the Canton Export-Import Trade fair where China puts its best trade foot forward, Abrams visited trade officials and factories in such key industrial centers as Peking, Shanghai and Tientsin.

Year by year, visitors to the semi-annual Canton (Kwangchow) Trade Fair are becoming increasingly aware of the growing range of commodities available for export. Germany, for example, is now buying camera lenses from China which attests to the quality of their skilled workmanship. Such leading buying offices as Allied Stores, Mays and Associated Merchandising are among those sampling goods imported from China. And industrialists are surprised to consider the technological advances China has made during our 25 year-long embargo on trade with the mainland.

Since the embargo was lifted in 1970, trade between the two nations has escalated rapidly: \$5 million in 1972; \$755 million in 1973; and an estimated \$1.25 billion this year. Agricultural products have comprised 80 per cent of this trade and most of it has been in the form of exports from the United States. In 1973, the trade



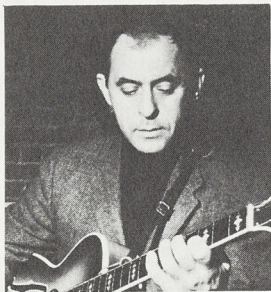
CHARLES ABRAMS

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## HUNGARIAN PLAYS IN JAZZ CIRCUIT

The ingenious Attila Zoller who is credited with giving a new context to the jazz guitar will appear with his quartette in a twilight jazz concert to be presented by members of the Overseas Jazz Club, Friday, November 22, from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.



Sharing the spotlight with Zoller will be his veteran sideman Dan Hurley, piano; Jack Gregg, bass; and Joe Chambers, drums. There is no admission and seating is on a first-come basis.

Hungarian by birth, Zoller established a solid jazz reputation in Europe before coming to this country for the first time in 1956. He has recorded with Oscar Pettiford, Herbie Mann and other jazz greats. His last record, "Gypsy Cry," features Zoller's original compositions.

A permanent U.S. resident now, the highly imaginative guitarist is in popular demand on the jazz concert circuit here and abroad and appears frequently in well known night clubs. Additionally, he conducts his Newfane Jazz Workshop in Newfane, Vermont and has a following of students in New York City.

## AWARDS DINNER . . .

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bars before dinner. This was decided by the committee to avoid standing in line to buy chits.

The menu selected consists of pate, salad, London broil, Pommes Beignet, Zucchini, brandied peaches and coffee.

Under a new format proposed by Clabby and his committee, which effect the presentation of the awards, the total time for the presentations will be held to 15 minutes, with the main segment of the program going to the Polk Award winner. This new format is not intended to limit the recognition due other award winners but intends to feature them in other ways which will be announced later.

Attending the meeting with Mr. Clabby was *Holmes Brown*, co-chairman, President *Jack Raymond*, Judge *Norwood Allman*, Roy *Battersby* and *Don Coe*.

## BUCKLEY WARNS AGAINST SOVIET EASE IN DEPLOYING MISSILE WEAPONS

By DAVID ANDERSON

The October 31 Headliners Luncheon proved to be a news-making event for the Club when Sen. James L. Buckley chose the OPC platform to make a major statement on current negotiations over Soviet-U.S. arms agreements.

Before a full turnout of press and broadcast media, the New York Senator expressed his "growing concern" over what he said appears to be a rapidly growing capacity of the Soviets to deploy a far greater number of strategic missile weapons than was ever anticipated under the SALT agreements between the two countries, ratified by Congress in 1972.

He said that the Soviet Union may be initiating measures of concealment that will make it increasingly difficult for the U.S. to monitor Russian nuclear delivery systems through its photographic reconnaissance satellites.

With the SALT II negotiations currently underway in Geneva, Sen. Buckley told the full house of OPC members and guests "it is imperative that our negotiators take with absolute seriousness the Congressional mandate that the next agreement provides for true parity in strategic forces." Any

such agreement, he said, must contain more stringent safeguards to assure the U.S. of the ability to monitor Soviet compliance.

Sen. Buckley took the occasion to announce that he would within a day embark upon a "brief pilgrimage" to the Soviet Union by way of Poland "not so much to worship at the altars of detente as to seek to educate myself as to some of the problems that lie in the way of its achievement." He said he would visit businessmen, scientists and others who are involved in programs ranging from commerce to space and the environment.

Answering questions from the floor, Sen. Buckley expressed concern over the recent Arab agreement to grant official status to the Palestine Liberation Organization and the effects this might have on continued peace in the Middle East.

Club President *Jack Raymond* presided at the luncheon and the head table was shared by OPC member *Len Saffir*, the Senator's press secretary, his legal assistant *William Schneider*, former USIA head *Frank Shakespeare* and program chairman *David Anderson*.

## REGIONAL REPORT

### FROM LOS ANGELES

By LEO MISHKIN

OPC Far West Regional Division held a second organizational meeting October 10 at the Los Angeles Press Club with *Cecil Brown* presiding as regional chairman.

Discussion among the 12 members attending centered on how to get the new group off the ground and winging, whether enough interest can be stirred up among the 30 or 35 OPC members in Southern California to keep it going, and whether a recruitment program should be instituted to win new members from the corps of working press and newscasters and public relations people in the Los Angeles area.

Consensus was that the Far West Region should be based in L.A. and that formation of another OPC group in San Francisco, taking in northern California, Oregon and Washington, should await further developments. Proposal was also made that the L.A. group should serve not only as an outpost on the West Coast for the OPC, but that it should also provide

New York with goals and purposes looking toward making the OPC a national institution. Question about financing and dues for the Far West Region was left in abeyance until clarification of California laws covering fund-raising groups.

Attending the meeting, in addition to Brown, were *Ed Haaker*, *Leo Margulies* and wife *Cylvia*, *Gregor Ziemer*, *Lois J. Kennedy*, *Col Adolphe Wenland*, *Laurence J. Pett*, *Tim Baskerville*, *Leslie G. Phillips*, *Dan Rosenman*, and *Leo Mishkin*. Present slate of acting officers, Brown as chairman, Raymond Parr as secretary-treasurer, Baskerville as corresponding secretary, and Mishkin as OPC Bulletin correspondent, will continue to hold their posts until formal election at the next meeting, now slated for Thursday, December 5.

**COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN:** Please check Club Calendar with *Mary Novick* or *Jim Menditto* before scheduling any event or committee meeting.

SIGN UP A NEW MEMBER



## JAZZ DOIN'S . . .

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Ron Burton, the piano player and John Lewis, who has a Gibraltar-steady beat got things going. I particularly liked Lewis's work on his minimum of equipment (snare, bass drum, highhat and crash cymbals. He was never a millimeter off and intricate only where it counted, as might be expected of a calculus professor, which is how he makes the square side of his living.

Charles McGee seems headed toward being the Paganini of the trumpet. His preoccupation with sheer virtuosity sometimes seems to get in the way of the music. The tour de force came in one number when he played two horns at once — one out of each side of his mouth. I must confess I was wondering whether he was going to play melody on one with an obligatto against it on the other, but I guess that was too much to hope for. When he chooses he can play a lovely clear melodic line, which he did at the beginning of George Shearing's "Lullaby of Birdland." But then the pyrotechnics set in and it wasn't until the last chorus that he came back to noodling nicely around the theme again.

His sidekick horn man, Dave Rocha had a freer, more relaxed approach and a much more open sound. (He might have been using a larger bore horn.) He uses a trick many pianists indulge in: slipping onto the note he's aiming at from a half note away, and in the right places it can be engaging.

Musically, the second number, the name of which I missed, was the most interesting. To begin with, it was played in 5/4 time, a rhythmic device introduced into jazz by Dave Brubeck about 20 years ago but seldom heard elsewhere.

Every jazz buff has heard the expression, "Listen to the way those drums DRIVE that band." This night it had to be said about Allie Richardson and his big bass fiddle. That bass DROVE that bunch every step of the way and kept it going with some highly imaginative solos.

Well, we owe Willie Dobie one big yell of thanks for the music and the talent she has brought us over these past few years, and another bow for ending on an upbeat.

— Harry Welker

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## CHINA MAINLAND . . .

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imbalance was estimated at from 11 to 14:1 in favor of the United States.

Formerly an investment banker, Abrams founded China Trade Corporation in 1972 with the objective of establishing business relationships between U.S. companies and the eight major trade companies of the People's Republic of China. A major endeavor of his company is the proposed "Chinese Friendship Fair" a 60,000 square foot mini-Canton trade fair which will tour 20 major cities throughout the United States in 1975 and 1976. The fair is expected to open in Philadelphia in October 1975.

## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS

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# WhoWhatWhere

By GRACE NAISMITH

**NEW LOOK:** Steve Yolen has been named Brazil bureau chief, Fairfield News Service, a new post. He will be located in Sao Paulo. Yolen, 31, has been Brazil manager for UPI, after ten years reporting from Latin America for UPI, then assistant editor on the San Juan desk and executive assistant to UPI's Latin America vp in Buenos Aires... **Kenneth L. Whiting** has been appointed AP chief of bureau at Singapore, succeeding Peter O'Loughlin, at Sydney... **Julia Edwards** new chief of the World Affairs Bureau, a press and pr agency. New address: 501 Slaters Lane, Alexandria, Va. 22314. Phone: 703 — 549-6033... **Ralph Major** has been appointed manager of information services of Pitney Bowes in Stamford, Conn. He will be responsible for external communications, including stockholder publications... **Lloyd Stouffer** has retired as executive editor of Packaging Digest, but will carry on as consulting editor, columnist, and Eastern editorial contact. New address: 539 Old Pee Dee Road, Whispering Pines, South Carolina 28389... **David Horowitz** has been named to the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Board of Advisors. He is KNBC consumer ombudsman.

**PUBLISHING EVENTS:** **Walter Henry Nelson's** latest book, "The Londoners: In a Civilized City," appears this month via Random House. He stands here on the Thames Embankment,



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backed by Parliament... **Tom Mahoney** has an article in the Oct. American Legion Magazine, "The Original Hall of Fame and What It Takes to Get In It." For one thing, says Tom, you have to be dead 25 years... **William H. Pearsall** has recent articles in Yachting Magazine: "Inside New Old Key West," "Hollywood Goes to Sea" which is based on the production of the motion picture, "The Dove," by Gregory Peck... **M.D. Morris's** third book, "Civil Engineers in the World Around Us," has been published by the American Society Civil Engineers. It includes a lead item on creativity by OPC past president, **Will Oursler**.

**TRAVELERS:** **Warren Goodman** to St. Louis, Montreal, and the Nether-

lands Antilles recently covering stor- for Flight International magazine of London and a story of the island of Bonaire for the Westchester-Rockland Newspapers... **Doris** and **Thurston Macauley** passed through N.Y. to arrange visas to China to visit Jack Chen, author-artist... **Ruggero Orlando, Camera Dei Deputati**, recently in N.Y., N.Y. for a day was given "a nice party," he writes, **Dorothy Ingling**, "where I saw the **Biemillers**."... **Oliver Gramling**, former AP general manager, and wife, **Vera**, moving around in Florida looking for the perfect house to buy, according to letters to **Wad Allen**. Gram is missed around the OPC. He and the late **Frank Wachsmith**, OPC attorney, who was also attorney for AP, were devoted habitues of our 39th and 40th Streets clubs... **De Witt Davidson**, travel agent, is back from the Society of American Travel Writers convention in Brazil, visiting Santarem and Manaus, far up the Amazon, as well as Salgado (Bahia), Rio, "so spectacularly beautiful" he says, "that God must have been a Brazilian", and Brasilia — "huge, and utterly clinical and dehumanized."... **Jean Colbert**, of the Jean Colbert Show at WTIC, Hartford, has been recording interviews in Belgium and the Province region of France... **Ansel E. Talbert**, as columnist/associate editor of Interline Reporter and Travel Agent magazines, has recently returned from London, covering the Farnborough Air Show, then to Montreal for the annual meeting of IATA, the world airline parliament. "Ed" gave the eulogy for his friend, Major Alexander P. de Seversky, who died this summer.

**MARRIED:** **Ruth Gruber** to Dr. Henry J. Rosner. Dr. Ruth Gruber is an author, lecturer and was foreign correspondent for the New York Herald

Tribune. Her husband is assistant

**SEEN ON THE SCENE:** **Henry Gellerman**, after a year-long bout with hepatitis; **Will Sparks**; **Joe Newman**; **Samuel C. Lesch**, former national news editor, Wall Street Journal; **George Hecht**; **Ted Sorenson**; **Carol Houck Smith**; **David Hendin**, author of a new book, "Save Your Child's Life."

**EDITORIAL NOTE:** If some of the news in this column is dated, it is because it has been crowded out because of lack of space.

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